Charitable Gaming in Nebraska

2005 Annual Report

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Produced by the Charitable Gaming Division Nebraska Department of Revenue On behalf of the staff of the Charitable Gaming Division and Investigative Services, it is our pleasure to present the 2005 Annual Report. This report, which is submitted to the Governor, Legislature, Auditor of Public Accounts, and Attorney General in accordance with Neb. Rev. Stat. §9-1,101(1) (R.S.Supp. 2004) summarizes tax revenues received from charitable gaming activities in Nebraska, expenses incurred by the Division in its administration and enforcement activities, and other activities relating to the administration and enforcement of the Nebraska Bingo Act, the Nebraska County and City Lottery Act, the Nebraska Lottery and Raffle Act, and the Nebraska Pickle Card Lottery Act.

As evidenced by the statistical information presented in this report, charitable gaming wagering and corresponding tax revenues continue to decline in Nebraska. The highest amount wagered on charitable gaming activities in Nebraska was during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1994. Since that time there have been overall decreases in pickle card wagering of 71 percent, in bingo 42 percent, and 11 percent in county/city lottery (keno). Bingo and pickle cards no longer represent the largest percentage of charitable gaming wagering in Nebraska. In 2004-05, county/city lottery (keno) accounted for 72 percent of the total dollars wagered on charitable gaming and 67 percent of the total tax revenue realized from charitable gaming activities.

In response to these trends, the Division has reallocated various staff assignments and enhanced its regulatory and enforcement efforts in county/city lottery(keno). A Charitable Gaming Licensing Specialist was reassigned to the Division's Inspection area and a Revenue Conferee Lead in Policy was reassigned to the Division's Audit section.

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